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SUBJECT: WEST BANK ELECTIONS AND SUDANIAN ELECTION LAWS

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REALIZE SOMETIMES OBSCURE ELECTION LAWS BECOME SUBJECT TO MISINTERPRETATION, ESPECIALLY BY OTHER NATIONALS, AND THAT APPEARS TO BE CASE WITH ISRAELI OFFICIALS RE JORDANIAN LAWS PER REFTELS. JORDANIAN ELECTION LAWS HAVE NO PROVISIONS FOR MULTIPLE VOTING ACCORDING TO AMOUNT OF JORDANIAN DINARS PAID IN TAXES (TEL AVIV 0190, PARS 2). RULE IS ONE TAXPAYER--ONE VOTE. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO SUBSTANTIATE REPORT THAT GOJ REFUSED PERMISSION TO WEST BANKERS WHO ARE GOJ EMPLOYEES TO RUN IN COMING WEST BANK MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (JERUSALEM 0019, PARA 4). WHILE GOJ THUS FAR HAS PUBLICLY REMAINED SILENT ON THOSE ELECTIONS, EMBASSY BELIEVES GOJ PREFERS ITS SUPPORTERS THERE TO PARTICIPATE AND WIN "WITHOUT ATTRIBUTION" IF ELECTIONS INEVITABLE.

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